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## weather



**TODAY:**  
Sunny with a high of 81 and a low of 60.

**FRIDAY:**  
Mostly sunny with a high of 81 and a low of 60.

**SATURDAY:**  
Mostly sunny with a high of 81 and a low of 63.

**SUNDAY:**  
Mostly sunny with a high of 81 and a low of 61.

## verbatim

"There's nowhere you can't get to on this campus in five or ten minutes of walking unless you're insanely out of shape."

Andy Sturm



Courtesy Department of Safety and Environmental Health

Some of the damage caused by the July 22 Fire in Dupont Hall.

## Burnin' Down The House

Flames In Dupont Theatre Cause Fire Drills In Academic Buildings

By JULIE STAVITSKI  
Scene Editor

Soon after senior Ken Jones settled into his seat in Klein Theatre for the Fredericksburg Theatre Company's production of "Little Shop of Horrors" on July 22, the fire alarm began blaring in the middle of a musical number.

"There were lights flashing, the actors weren't sure what was going on and were breaking character, the music began to fade and people began to get up out of their seats to see what was going on," Jones said.

Jones and House Manager Wendy Flora took charge and ushered a group of 150 people including 100 non-English speaking students and a man in a wheelchair out of Dupont Hall as quickly as possible, smelling smoke as they cleared the building. An investigation by the Department of Safety and Environmental Health revealed that the fire was caused by a cigarette dropped carelessly on the ground, rolling, from the grass into Dupont's equipment room. There was little damage.

Because of this scare and major fires last year at Longwood College and the University of Kentucky, Mary Washington College will conduct yearly fire drills in academic and

administrative buildings, beginning this year.

"We're doing this to see if there are deficiencies in the system," said Ruth Lovelace, director of Safety and Environmental Health. "It's not meant for enforcement or to gauge performance."

The Department of Safety and Environmental Health will notify faculty and administrators of the week a fire drill will take place, though the specific time will be confidential. The drills will be similar to those conducted three times a semester in residence halls. However, unlike fire drills in the residence halls, there will be no specific guidelines for failing an academic building's drill.

"This isn't for students so much as the faculty and administration," Lovelace said. "We want to see how we perform in getting out of the building as fast as possible."

The fire this summer in Dupont proved to Lovelace that drills need to be implemented to determine the quickest and safest route out of a building.

"The theatre is a notoriously scary place for fire," Lovelace said. "Furthermore, the public is in there, and the group of students at the theatre company performed at a level far

beyond anyone's expectation."

House Manager Flora said she used her instincts to get everybody out as quickly as possible.

"I was trying to get everyone out as quick as I could, gesturing to the exits for the students who didn't know English," she said. "When we got outside, we could see the smoke and realized it wasn't a drill. After the building was deemed okay, we went inside and finished the performance."

According to Lovelace, all faculty and staff were invited to attend a fire safety training session this summer explaining the need for the fire drills and to promote awareness of the potential of these types of emergency situations.

"There has been some apprehension from the faculty about the drills, but after they come to the classes they understand the real need for this on campus," Lovelace said. "We need [building evacuation] to become second nature so people don't have to think of anything when they're getting out."

Craig Vasey, professor of Philosophy and president of the Faculty Senate, believes that the drills will be beneficial.

"It's something we have to do as it's a public safety issue," Vasey said. "With what happened at Longwood last year, we could all be more conscious to the danger."   
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## New Hoops Coach Takes Charge

By STOCKTON BANFIELD  
Staff Writer

After 24 seasons of the Connie Gallahan era, the Becky Timmins era as head coach of the Mary Washington College women's basketball team began this summer.

Timmins, who was chosen out of nearly 30 applicants, is excited about being a head coach at Mary Washington College.

"I think MWC is a great place, an incredible place as far as the balance between academics and athletics," Timmins said. "I think it offers recruits and student-athletes an unbelievable experience and gives them a reason to excel."

Before coming to Mary Washington College, she spent three years as a Division I assistant coach with Princeton, and one year each as an assistant coach at Bucknell University and the College of New Jersey.

Prior to coaching, Timmins also played competitively. She was a four-year high school starter and also started for every year for the Division I Lady Jaspers of Manhattan College.

Despite being an accomplished player, Timmins is coming off a rough two years as an assistant coach of a Princeton program that,

according to online Princeton Athletic record books, went 9-19 and 2-25 in the past two seasons. However, in her first season there, they were Co-Ivy league champions.

Timmins, who has a two-year contract with a starting salary of \$35,000, is taking over a very young team, that lost six seniors to graduation last year. Timmins said she knows little about the players and cannot officially see them play until Oct. 15. From then, she has a month to prepare the players for the Capital Athletic Conference, which according to athletic director Ed Hegmann is one of the best in the nation.

Timmins would like to settle down here and build a strong program, one that will help her accomplish her goal of winning the CAC championship, she said. She believes that MWC has all the makings of a championship caliber program.

While at Princeton, Timmins was responsible for directing the offense. However she explained that while at MWC she will be stressing the importance of defense. "I am all about defense," Timmins said. "After all, defense wins championships."

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## College Updates Old Master Plan

By LAUREN LEGARD  
Assistant Features Editor

The expansion of academic and administrative buildings, renovation of current dorms, construction of new student housing, addition of a parking garage and the addition of a convocation center are among the plans proposed as part of Mary Washington College's updated Master Plan.

Rick Hurley, executive vice president and chief financial officer, serves as chair of the Space Committee, an administrative group drafting the campus Master Plan.

According to Hurley, in order to remain an accredited institution, the state of Va. requires that the college develop a master plan for orderly

growth at least once every ten years. The Master Plan for Mary Washington College was last updated in the late 1980s.

Ronald Singleton, senior vice president for Advancement and College Relations, recognized the need for this updated plan.

"Ideally we need to have a master plan every two years," Singleton said. "This doesn't mean we'll complete all projects in ten years. [It's just] been 15 years since we developed the last master plan."

Hurley said several elements of the plan that will take priority once it is approved and implemented.

"The highest priority projects are decisions about student   
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Juliette Gomez/Bullet

Rick Hurley presents the master plan to faculty senate.

## Kid Thieves Dupe Students, Parents

By CAROLINE S. WALLINGER  
Assistant News Editor

Police charged two 11-year-old girls with committing six criminal offenses in residence halls campuswide while students were moving in at the beginning of the semester.

According to Police Director Stan Beger, the juveniles allegedly went to dorms including Westmoreland, Willard and Randolph on Friday and Sunday, Aug. 24 and 26 claiming to be members of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Washington and collected over \$170 from people moving in.

They also stole a handbag, a checkbook and some money from two open rooms, and one of the girls carried a knife with a blade over three inches long while in the dorms.

"They went to all of the dorms, and they knew them all better than some police officers here probably do," Beger said.

Sgt. Sharon Mills caught the girls around 2 p.m. on Sunday when Virginia and Mercer Resident Director Mandy Huff complained to campus police that children were soliciting money in the dorms, an act that is illegal on state property. "I found the kids and asked them to wait downstairs," said Huff. "They were very compliant."

Mills took the girls to the campus police department and contacted their mothers.

Willard resident, junior Megan Swearingen is among the many students who contributed to the kids' "cause."

"They came up to my roommate and me while we were moving in

and asked us if we'd donate to the Boys and Girls Clubs, and they had a really official looking chart to sign," Swearingen said. "We gave them our names and room numbers along with some money, then we later found out they'd been caught outside the building."

Swearingen added that some students were giving the children as much as \$20 at a time.

The police have recovered \$172.40 in cash and an additional \$35 in property from the girls and have filed charges in the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court.

The charges include statutory burglary, which entails walking through an open door to take things from a room, petty larceny, conspiracy to commit a felony, soliciting money and/or signatures under false pretenses, entering a dwelling with intent to commit a felony, and in one girl's case, carrying a dangerous weapon.

Beger says this incident is an example of why the campus police discourage students from letting strangers into the dorms.

"We've been preaching to students here. Don't let people into the halls for any reason if you don't know who they are. Rooms are left open and they are easier to get into, and people can take things out of them," he said.

According to Beger, the police are continuing to look into the case.

"The investigation is still ongoing as we are trying to find out where the rest of the money is, and if anyone else was behind the plan, but we have been unable to find all of [the money] so far," he said.



Courtesy Athletic Department

Becky Timmins watches a game.

# Police Beat



By PHILLIP GRIFFITH  
News Editor

Aug. 25—An unknown individual damaged public buildings on George Washington Hall. Damages of \$50 occurred on a decorative post, and silver paint chips were also found. Police believe that a car hit the post on move-in day. The case is under investigation.

Aug. 26—Two 11-year-old girls allegedly went from building to building claiming to be collecting money for the Boys and Girls' Clubs of Greater Washington. Police stopped the juveniles and charged them with conspiracy to commit a crime, larceny and obtaining monies under false premise. One also was found carrying a knife with a blade longer than three inches. The case is currently pending.

Aug. 26—Resident Assistants in Russell Hall confiscated two bottles of alcohol from two students. The case was referred to the administration.

Aug. 27—Donald Greer, 25, of College Park, Md. allegedly was found trespassing near Monroe Hall. Greer was soliciting students for the Bank of American in order to issue credit cards. Greer was barred from campus.

Aug. 28—Police stopped Larry Stanley Jr., 19, of Caroline County because of suspicious behavior. Stanley turned out to be wanted out of Caroline County for failure to appear in court and driving on a suspend license. He was arrested and turned over to the Magistrate.

Aug. 28—Police investigated a reported incident of larceny in Lee Hall as a student reported a Basic Marketing textbook was stolen from a bag. The textbook was later recovered, and it was determined that two students confused their belongings.

Aug. 29—Four students in Bushnell Hall reported an incident of grand larceny. The items stolen, valued at \$290, included a pocketknife, two cellular phones, a Swiss Army watch, a checkbook and \$35. City police later stopped a stolen vehicle, and its passengers were in possession of the property stolen. The case is currently pending.

Aug. 29—A police officer found an intoxicated student behind Jefferson Hall. Police escorted him to Mary Washington Hospital. The case was referred to the administration.

Aug. 29—An incident of hit and run was reported on Double Drive as Anthony Zierk of Columbus, Ohio found his 1991 Honda backed into a Holly tree that caused \$250 of damage. Police later reconstructed the scene and found that Zierk parked the car in neutral, and it rolled into the tree itself.

Sept. 1—A student was found intoxicated in Marshall Hall. The student was taken to Highthaven. The case was referred to the administration.

Sept. 4—An individual drew swastikas on dry erase boards on the fifth floor of Mason Hall. The case is under investigation.



Compiled by Caroline S. Wallinger

## Residents of Finnish Town Encouraged to Reproduce

Residents in the Finnish town of Inari, above the Arctic Circle, will have the opportunity tooust their town council member, Tuevo Niemela if they are able to produce 165 babies over the next two years. In an attempt to boost a shrinking population, Niemela has offered not to run for reelection in 2004 should the town produce at least 80 babies in the next year, and 85 in 2003. The town population is at risk, as only 69 babies were born last year, whereas there were 100 births in 1995. About his efforts, Niemela told Reuters, "I am prepared to begin operating in the field myself, and in fear of that I think that many Inari people will reproduce."

## 290 Traffic Tickets Thrown Out in San Diego

According to Reuters, San Diego Superior Court Judge Ronald Slyn threw out 290 traffic tickets on Tuesday, citing that the privately run red light cameras program was oriented toward profit over justice. Because the system is operated by Lockheed Martin, and because that company receives a percentage of the money accumulated through the tickets based volume, the court ruled the evidence to be unreliable.

## Clown Cleared of Indecent Exposure Charges

The Associated Press reported that Kimble McLain, also known as Chuckles the Clown of Moline, Ill. was cleared Wednesday on charges of indecent exposure at a Wal-Mart. McLain allegedly exposed himself to children on May 7 while performing magic tricks for children at the Wal-Mart, but was found innocent after he claimed he never knew his zipper was down. Municipal judge Dana McReynolds who presided over the case told the AP that the only real evidence the state has mustered here is that he was exposed.

## IRS Processors Hide and Destroy Tax Returns

An Associated Press report reveals that in order to escape their workload, employees at a Mellon Bank run IRS Processing center hid thousands of tax returns in stacks of papers to be shredded. The workers destroyed over 40,000 tax returns and payments of \$810 million from New England and parts of New York. Martin McGuinn, Mellon Bank chairman told the AP, "As best we know, they did this because they felt they were behind in their work in processing IRS returns." Since the incident, the bank has fired several of its employees.

# Planning For The Future

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housing followed by the need for additional administrative office space," he said.

Hurley added that originally the number of students at Mary Washington College was not intended to exceed 4,000. The school population is currently at 3,800. As a result of the increasing population of students, Hurley said that the college needs to acquire accommodations for approximately 350-700 students.

According to the draft of the Master Plan, the college would acquire additional student housing in several ways. Two new residence halls have been proposed, one on the north end of campus and one on the south, both of which would feature apartment-style housing. In addition, expansions are included in the plan for Westmoreland, Mason, Randolph, and Jefferson halls. The plan also includes the possibility of purchasing existing off-campus apartment complexes for student housing.

The plan's developers have taken the need for parking into account as well, and they propose to solve the problem by configuring lots to provide more spaces. Parking garages on the existing William Street parking lot and behind Goolrick would be added.

According to the committee, one major concern with the proposed addition of parking spaces and buildings is to the protection of the college grounds' natural aspects.

"We want to preserve the parklike feel of the campus [by making] more building additions than new buildings," Hurley said.

The draft form of the plan presents other expansions for Jepson, Simpson Library, Woodard Campus Center, Seacoast, Chandler Hall, Lee Hall, Trinkle Hall, and George Washington Hall. The plan also includes the idea of "one-stop shopping" for students. This means that certain offices would be positioned so that all student services would be housed in one building.

"All the things that students needed to do would be centralized, but in order to do that, we need more space," Singleton said.

The plan to change campus through expansion and addition was first put into action last fall.

"We must have a master plan in place," Hurley said. "We've faced with housing issues and didn't have administrative space left. So we formed a Space Planning committee of nine administrators and one faculty representative."

According to Hurley, the college hired Ellerbe Becket, a consulting firm from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"They solicited the campus for comments trying to determine what was important to those on campus. The process was finished in May or June [of last year]," Hurley said.

After the consulting firm and the Space Planning committee completed its draft of the plan, they took it to the Board of Visitors' retreat in July. The draft is a combination of the Board's input in addition to that of the Space Planning committee and that of Ellerbe Becket.

Currently, the proposal plan is not means in its final form. Hurley said that the Board of Visitors must first approve the plan before construction companies can begin bidding on the individual projects. In addition, the college will solicit input from students, faculty and neighborhood groups before the Board of Visitors meet to approve the

draft in November.

"We're planning the document to try to anticipate future needs," Singleton said. "If something doesn't show up on the Master Plan, it doesn't mean it can't happen. It's a dynamic document."

Thus far, the committee has received limited input from students. According to Singleton, meetings are scheduled this week with both the student and faculty senates to solicit feedback.

Kristy Bartle, executive coordinator of the Student Government Association, said that they have already put in some input for the plan.

"A bunch of members [of the Student Government Association] attended a session with the Master Planners last spring," Bartle said. "They talked about the campus as a whole and why things are important and what we thought our needs were."

Ka Shim, president of the Student Government Association, feels that it is too early to have an opinion on the proposed projects of the Master Plan. "We discussed the Master Plan, but never went into detail. [But] we're just getting underway with the academic year," Shim said.

Hurley's presentation of the plan at Wednesday night's meeting was not met without criticism. Some thought that students still would not have enough contact with administrators, that academic space would be limited, and that the addition of facilities could cause College Avenue to become a major highway.

At the conclusion of the meeting, however, Hurley reiterated that the plan is a draft and is still under discussion.

## 2001 Proposed Master Plan Highlights:

—Expanding Westmoreland, Mason, Randolph and Jefferson Halls

—Adding apartment style housing, on or off campus

—Adding parking garages to the William Street Lot and behind Goolrick Gymnasium

—Expanding the Jepson Science Center, Simpson Library, Woodard Campus Center, Seacoast, Chandler, Lee, Trinkle and George Washington Halls



A fire alarm. Corey Byrnes/Bullet

## Drill Time!

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issue."

Last April, a fire broke out in Longwood's Ruffner complex, causing extensive damage to three buildings and causing over 400 students to evacuate. At the University of Kentucky, one of the oldest buildings was severely damaged when a construction worker accidentally ignited wood rafters in the building.

Vasey said that faculty resistance to the drills is due to the potential inconveniences during class.

"They're worried about what will happen if a fire drill goes off during an exam," Vasey said. "We realize that there's no malice involved or anything. It's not that big a thing to accommodate."

Many members of the faculty are indifferent to the drills.

"I haven't really given them much thought," Carter Huggins, distinguished professor of History said.

One fire drill has been completed this year in the Jepson Science Center and the results have proved to Lovelace that these drills will definitely be advantageous to the college community.

"We discovered that there was a deficiency on the fourth floor," Lovelace said.

"None of the fire horns went off and the only reason people up on that floor knew what was going on was from what they heard on the third floor."

The Jepson's fire alarms are being repaired this week.

After experiencing the fire in Dupont, Jones believes that the drills are a much needed addition to the college's safety plan.

"Should anything like this happen again, the students will know what to do," Jones said.

Lovelace has been impressed with the support these new procedures have received.

"This has been a tremendously positive, cooperative effort," Lovelace said. "In light of what happened at Longwood and the University of Kentucky, there's absolutely nothing saying it can't happen here, and we need to be cognizant of this fact."

# Calling The Shots

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Former coach Gallahan, along with the rest of the MWC athletic staff, said she was very impressed with Timmins qualifications.

"I interviewed her and she had great background in her resume," Gallahan said. "She has been to all the right places, done all the work as an assistant coach, and has what is needed to be a great head coach at MWC. She can take the program to the next level, above and beyond my shoes."

Betsy Witman, athletic director and head women's basketball coach for rival CAC team York College also thinks Timmins will excel. Witman has known Timmins for years and said she is ready to be a head coach.

"I think she will do a great job," Witman said. "Coach Timmins was the first person I thought of for the head coaching job at MWC. She will be a good fit for the conference. I am looking forward to playing her."

Caitlin Wilkinson, a returning senior, is also excited about playing for Timmins. In the first basketball meeting of the season Wilkinson said Timmins is already talking about building a strong program and making a name for MWC.

"I think the meeting was good," Wilkinson said. "She has high expectations and they rub off on us. We will push us pretty hard and she is the type of person we want to work for."

Gallahan was sure that a coach with Timmins background would prosper in the athletic environment found at Mary Washington College.

"Timmins will be a great fit into the MWC Athletic family," Gallahan said. "She cares about academic and she wants to produce a winner."

Kevin Morris, the new women's basketball coach at the Newark branch of Rutgers and interim coach at Princeton last year also feels that she is adequately prepared for the transition to being a head coach.

"Coach Timmins is very organized and hard working," Morris said. "She is absolutely ready to be a head coach. She has all the qualities necessary to be a great head coach. It would not shock me to see her as a head coach at the next level some day."

Men's basketball Coach Rod Wood agrees with Morris's statement. He said that she will be well beyond above the other two candidates that MWC athletic staff interviewed.

"Coach Timmins demeanor is more suited for a head coach," Wood said. "Her goals are more in tune for what she can accomplish and because of her youth she has the energy level to do the things you need to do."

In addition to her duties as head basketball coach, Timmins will also be teaching courses at the college. She will teach a health class, volleyball class and basketball class. Timmins received her masters in education from the College of New Jersey, so feels fully qualified to teach these classes.

Hegmann is confident about her teaching ability as well. "She taught before, so she should do fine," Hegmann said. "The best coaches are great teachers and motivators too."

Sophomore Kelly Kinahan also is impressed with the new coach.

"She is totally into the job," Kinahan said. "She has so much energy and is very excited about this position. Her intensity and enthusiasm carry over into the program."

Timmins's enthusiasm is apparent when she talks about this upcoming season.

"It's a brand new season, it's a brand new team," Timmins said. "It's going to be a whole new look for us, from the coach all the way down to the players, so I am excited."

# Viewpoints

your opinions

## Fire Proof?

On April 24, 2001 a small fire-  
up on the third floor of an academic  
building on Longwood's campus caused  
a blaze that drove 400 students out  
of their homes for the night. The cause  
of the fire was never determined, but arson  
was ruled out early and the Virginia State  
police closed the case on May 31, 2001.  
However, the school had to close its  
doors for the rest of the semester because  
of damage to academic buildings and  
records.

This summer, a small fire oc-  
curred in Dupont Hall during a musical  
performance, proving that Mary Wash-  
ington College is not immune to blazes  
here. With these two instances in mind,  
the Department of Safety and Environ-  
mental Health has implemented yearly  
fire drills in academic and administrative  
buildings on campus.

This new policy has already  
proven to be beneficial to the college.  
Because of these drills, the college is able  
to solve the previously unknown prob-  
lem of the faulty alarm system in Jepson  
Hall. In the event the building actually  
needed to be evacuated, the failure of the  
alarm system could easily have been fatal.

However, despite the benefits this  
policy has already shown, it brings to  
light glaring dangers in the college com-  
munity. Several buildings on campus  
have no fire alarm system, including  
George Washington Hall. Despite hold-  
ing countless events and being the cen-  
ter of campus administration, this build-  
ing has no alarm system. If the fire that  
occurred in Dupont happened in George  
Washington, there is no telling how much  
damage could have been done, both to  
records and, more importantly, to people.

These buildings that lack alarm  
systems need them now. This is a prob-  
lem that must be solved as soon as pos-  
sible, not when the administration de-  
cides to allocate funds for it. After all,  
many campus administrators do work in  
George Washington Hall. Wouldn't it  
make sense for them to at least care about  
their own safety?

## 'Granite' And They Will Come

KRISTY J. BARTLE  
Guest Columnist

In the last issue of the Bulletin I was pleasantly surprised  
by the amount of criticism students expressed toward the  
lack of spirit on the Mary Washington College campus. One  
student, Eric Frere, even stated that we are losing the way  
we show our school spirit and the administration should do  
something about it. Well, I give Eric, and the other students  
that spoke out a round of applause because they are exactly  
right—something should be done.

But let's be honest, it's not just the administration that  
needs to do something; students need to unite and decide  
that the lack of school spirit is something that they want to  
change. This year is your chance to go out and change the  
fact that Mary Washington College lacks school spirit.

Perhaps you've heard that the administration has long  
wanted to bring a "Spirit Rock" to campus. This year it's  
actually going to happen. As a matter of fact, within the  
next month, a huge rock designated specifically for the  
display of school spirit will be placed between the Woodard  
Campus Center and Palmer Plaza.

Now, when the rock arrives, I expect every one of you  
who wants to show their school pride to go out to the rock  
and plaster your expression of school spirit, whether it is,  
"The Class of 2002 Rules!", "Go Eagles!", "Good luck MWC  
Soccer!" or to advertise an event your organization is hosting  
on campus all over our granite billboard. If everyone who  
thought there needed to be more school spirit went out and  
painted, there would be something new on the rock every  
day.

If you want to pick one week to turn everything around,  
start planning now to tape your favorite TV series during the  
first week of October and actually go out and do something  
during Spirit Week. Last year's fireworks at Homecoming  
were a huge success and over 1,000 people attended and  
raved about the event. But that still leaves 2/3 of Mary  
Washington College students that didn't partake in this  
exciting event.

This year there is a concert planned for before the  
fireworks and while you can't bring alcohol to the event,  
pack a picnic dinner and come mingle with alumni and hang  
out with your friends. Go to the Mr. MWC pageant,  
participate in the Lip Sync contest, come to the SGA picnic  
or an ice cream eating contest in Seabrook.

There is little doubt about it—there is a lack of school  
spirit here at Mary Washington College; however, instead  
of complaining to the Bulletin or your friends, get up and do  
something about it.

Kristy J. Bartle is a senior.

## FAST FACT:

More than 45,000 pieces of plastic debris  
float on every square mile of ocean.

## Is There Life After College?

ANDREW WARD  
Guest Columnist

What will future historians say  
of us, queries Camus. "A single  
sentence will suffice for modern  
man: he fornicated and read the  
papers."

I, myself, having done neither in  
the space of the last two months, am  
now in possession of an alarming  
clarity of thought.

Graduating just last May with a  
degree in Religion and Philosophy,  
I was constantly met with jokes and  
jeering over what in the hell I was  
planning to do with such a B.A. in  
the "Real World."

Well, friends, I write to you now  
from across the sea and deep within  
the heart of Europe, from Katowice,  
the Silesian capital city, to tell you  
that I have successfully acquired  
contractual immunity from said,  
"Real World."

Finally yielding to pressure from  
friends and family, I drew up a list  
of requirements for a job I would  
accept:

- 1.) I must go to another country.
- 2.) I must learn another language.
- 3.) I must enjoy the work.

4.) I must earn a living wage.  
I hopped on the net and finally  
found a program that suited me. It  
paid my rent and medical insurance  
for two years while I earned a  
Masters Degree with accreditation  
from an American institution entirely  
free of charge. Not to mention that  
my "work" consists of carrying-on  
hour-long conversations with  
fascinating Poles from all walks of  
life. I am currently existing in an  
optimal reality; the people are  
wonderful, the experience amazing  
and the females delectable beyond  
measure.

I do not write these words to  
boast of my condition, but rather,  
to empower yours. Do not sweat  
and fret as graduation day draws  
nigh. Indeed, you should never feel  
that you must consign yourself to  
work behind an office desk for the  
next thirty-five years. The world is  
vast and its needs are many. I have  
seen enough of it to know that your  
services - be they practical or  
philosophical, artistic or arithmetic  
- are required somewhere in the  
world right now.

Therefore, I urge every one of  
you to resist complacency and  
comfortable-convenient job-  
placement at all costs. Know what

you want and scour the globe until  
you find it, because it's there.

For you, for us, the "movers and  
shakers, the music-makers, and the  
dreamers of dreams," it's only "Our  
World" that counts, it's only "Our  
Reality" of which none but  
ourselves are the orchestrators,  
that matters.

Looking out across a Polish  
midnight - a full moon smiling back  
at me, I feel my work is done. For  
four years I wrote The Bulletin telling  
of my time at college. And now, five  
months removed from the last of it,  
I write to all those I never knew and  
tell them what they already knew in  
theory, but perhaps not in practice -  
that they must never let the glory  
fade.

The "Real World" is not real at  
all; it's just a sad bedtime story  
failures tell their children to avoid  
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many of us will spend some part of our  
college years looking for housing in its  
neighborhoods. Sometimes there are  
complaints that the college isn't  
integrated enough with the community.

Let's do something about it. There are  
so many ways to give something back  
to Fredericksburg, through COAR,  
through student activist groups and on  
our own. Participate in a river cleanup,  
tutor at-risk kids (there are many), teach  
English to adults, lobby for or against  
Celebrate Virginia (depending on your  
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show it!

If we, as a student body, actively give  
back to our society, the benefits will  
come back to us indefinitely. As Anne  
Frank said, "How wonderful is it that  
nobody need wait a single moment  
before starting to improve the world."

Juliette Gomez  
Junior

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# Police Beat



By PHILLIP GRIFFITH  
News Editor

Aug. 25—An unknown individual damaged public buildings on George Washington Hall. Damages of \$50 occurred on a decorative post, and silver paint chips were also found. Police believe that a car hit the post on move-in day. The case is under investigation.

Aug. 26—Two 11-year-old girls allegedly went from building to building claiming to be collecting money for the Boys and Girls' Clubs of Greater Washington. Police stopped the juveniles and charged them with conspiracy to commit a crime, larceny and obtaining monies under false premise. One also was found carrying a knife with a blade longer than three inches. The case is currently pending.

Aug. 26—Resident Assistants in Russell Hall confiscated two bottles of alcohol from two students. The case was referred to the administration.

Aug. 27—Donald Greer, 25, of College Park, Md. allegedly was found trespassing near Monroe Hall. Greer was soliciting students for the Bank of American in order to issue credit cards. Greer was barred from campus.

Aug. 28—Police stopped Larry Stanley Jr., 19, of Caroline County because of suspicious behavior. Stanley turned out to be wanted out of Caroline County for failure to appear in court and driving on a suspend license. He was arrested and turned over to the Magistrate.

Aug. 28—Police investigated a reported incident of larceny in Lee Hall as a student reported a Basic Marketing textbook was stolen from a bag. The textbook was later recovered, and it was determined that two students confused their belongings.

Aug. 29—Four students in Bushnell Hall reported an incident of grand larceny. The items stolen, valued at \$290, included a pocketknife, two cellular phones, a Swiss army watch, a checkbook and \$35. City police later stopped a stolen vehicle, and its passengers were in possession of the property stolen. The case is currently pending.

Aug. 29—A police officer found an intoxicated student behind Jefferson Hall. Police escorted him to Mary Washington Hospital. The case was referred to the administration.

Aug. 29—An incident of hit and run was reported on Double Drive as Anthony Zierk of Columbus, Ohio found his 1991 Honda backed into a Holly tree that caused \$250 of damage. Police later reconstructed the scene and found that Zierk parked the car in neutral, and it rolled into the tree itself.

Sept. 1—A student was found intoxicated in Marshall Hall. The student was taken to Nighthaven. The case was referred to the administration.

Sept. 4—An individual drew swastikas on dry erase boards on the fifth floor of Mason Hall. The case is under investigation.



Compiled by Caroline S. Wallinger

## Residents of Finnish Town Encouraged to Reproduce

Residents in the Finnish town of Inari, above the Arctic Circle, will have the opportunity to oust their town council member, Tuevo Niemela if they are able to produce 165 babies over the next two years. In an attempt to boost a shrinking population, Niemela has offered not to run for reelection in 2004 should the town produce at least 80 babies in the next year, and 85 in 2003. The town population is at risk, as only 69 babies were born last year, whereas there were 100 births in 1995. About his efforts, Niemela told Reuters, "I am prepared to begin operating in the field myself, and in fear of that I think that many Inari people will reproduce."

## 290 Traffic Tickets Thrown Out in San Diego

According to Reuters, San Diego Superior Court judge Ronald Sym threw out 290 traffic tickets on Tuesday, citing that the privately run red light cameras program was oriented toward profit over justice. Because the system is operated by Lockheed Martin, and because that company receives a percentage of the money accumulated through the tickets based volume, the court ruled the evidence to be unreliable.

## Clown Cleared of Indecent Exposure Charges

The Associated Press reported that Kimble McLain, also known as Chuckles the Clown of Moline, Ill. was cleared Wednesday on charges of indecent exposure at a Wal-Mart. McLain allegedly exposed himself to children on May 7 while performing magic tricks for children at the Wal-Mart, but was found innocent after he claimed he never knew his zipper was down. Municipal judge Dana McReynolds who presided over the case told the AP that the only real evidence the state has mustered here is that he was exposed.

## IRS Processors Hide and Destroy Tax Returns

An Associated Press report reveals that in order to escape their workload, employees at a Mellon Bank run IRS Processing center hid thousands of tax returns in stacks of papers to be shredded. The workers destroyed over 40,000 tax returns and payments of \$810 million from New England and parts of New York. Martin McGuinn, Mellon Bank chairman told the AP, "As best we know, they did this because they felt they were behind in their work in processing IRS returns." Since the incident, the bank has fired several of its employees.

# Planning For The Future

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housing followed by the need for additional administrative office space," he said.

Hurley added that originally the number of students at Mary Washington College was not intended to exceed 4,000. The school population is currently at 3,800. As a result of the increasing population of students, Hurley said that the college needs to acquire accommodations for approximately 350-700 students.

According to the draft of the Master Plan, the college would acquire additional student housing in several ways. Two new residence halls have been proposed, one on the north end of campus and one on the south, both of which would feature apartment style housing. In addition, expansions are included in the plan for Westmoreland, Mason, Randolph, and Jefferson halls. The plan also includes the possibility of purchasing existing off-campus apartment complexes for student housing.

The plan's developers have taken the need for parking into account as well, and they propose to solve the problem by configuring lots to provide more spaces. Parking garages on the existing William Street parking lot and behind Goolrick would be added.

According to the committee, one major concern with the proposed addition of parking spaces and buildings is to the protection of the college grounds' natural aspects.

"We want to preserve the parklike feel of the campus [by making] more building additions than new buildings," Hurley said.

The draft form of the plan presents other expansions for Jepson, Simpson Library, Woodard Campus Center, Seacobeck, Chandler Hall, Lee Hall, Trinkle Hall, and George Washington Hall.

The plan also includes the idea of "one-stop shopping" for students. This means that certain offices would be positioned so that all student services would be housed in one building.

"All the things that students needed to do would be centralized, but in order to do that, we need more space," Singleton said.

The plan to change campus through expansion and addition was first put into action last fall.

"We must have a master plan in place," Hurley said. "We were faced with housing issues and didn't have administrative space left. So we formed a Space Planning committee of nine administrators and one faculty representative."

According to Hurley, the college hired Ellerbe Becket, a consulting firm from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"They solicited the campus for comments trying to determine what was important to those on campus. The process was finished in May or June [of last year]," Hurley said.

After the consulting firm and the Space Planning committee completed its draft of the plan, they took it to the Board of Visitors' retreat in July. The draft is a combination of the Board's input in addition to that of the Space Planning committee and that of Ellerbe Becket.

Currently, the proposal plan is not means in its final form. Hurley said that the Board of Visitors must first approve the plan before construction companies can begin bidding on the individual projects. In addition, the college will solicit input from students, faculty and neighborhood groups before the Board of Visitors meet to approve the

draft in November.

"We're planning the document to try to anticipate future needs," Singleton said. "If something doesn't show up on the Master Plan, it doesn't mean it can't happen. It's a dynamic document."

Thus far, the committee has received limited input from students. According to Singleton, meetings are scheduled this week with both the student and faculty senates to solicit feedback.

Kristy Bartle, executive coordinator of the Student Government Association, said that they have already put in some input for the plan.

"A bunch of members [of the Student Government Association] attended a session with the Master Planners last spring," Bartle said. "They talked about the campus as a whole and why things are important and what we thought our needs were."

Ka Shim, president of the Student Government Association, feels that it is too early to have an opinion on the proposed projects in the Master Plan. "We discussed the Master Plan, but never went into detail. [But] we're just getting underway with the academic year," Shim said.

Hurley's presentation of the plan at Wednesday night's meeting was not met without criticism. Some thought that students still would not have enough contact with administrators, that academic space would be limited, and that the addition of facilities could cause College Avenue to become a major highway.

At the conclusion of the meeting, however, Hurley reiterated that the plan is a draft and is still under discussion.

## 2001 Proposed Master Plan Highlights:

—Expanding Westmoreland, Mason, Randolph and Jefferson Halls

—Adding apartment style housing, on or off campus

—Adding parking garages to the William Street Lot and behind Goolrick Gymnasium

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## A fire alarm. Drill Time!

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issue.

Last April, a fire broke out in Longwood's Ruffner complex, causing extensive damage to three buildings and causing over 400 students to evacuate. At the University of Kentucky, one of the oldest buildings was severely damaged when a construction worker accidentally ignited wood rafters in the building.

Vasey said that faculty resistance to the drills is due to the potential inconveniences during class.

"They're worried about what will happen if a fire drill goes off during an exam," Vasey said. "We realize that there's no malice involved or anything. It's not that big a thing to accommodate."

Many members of the faculty are indifferent to the drills.

"I haven't really given them much thought," Carter Hudgins, distinguished professor of History said.

One fire drill has been completed this year in the Jepson Science Center and the results have proved to Lovelace that these drills will definitely be advantageous to the college community.

"We discovered that there was a deficiency on the fourth floor," Lovelace said.

"None of the fire horns went off and the only reason people up on that floor knew what was going on was from what they heard on the third floor."

The Jepson's fire alarms are being repaired this week.

After experiencing the fire in Dupont, Jones believes that the drills are a much needed addition to the college's safety plan.

"Should anything like this happen again, the students will know what to do," Jones said.

Lovelace has been impressed with the support these new procedures have received.

"This has been a tremendously positive, cooperative effort," Lovelace said. "In light of what happened at Longwood and the University of Kentucky, there's absolutely nothing saying it can't happen here, and we need to be cognizant of this fact."

## Calling The Shots

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Former coach Gallahan, along with the rest of the MWC athletic staff, said she was very impressed with Timmins qualifications.

"I interviewed her and she had great background in her resume," Gallahan said. "She has been to all the right places, done all the work as an assistant coach, and has what is needed to be a great head coach at MWC. She can take the program to the next level, above and beyond my shoes."

Betsy Witman, athletic director and head women's basketball coach for rival CAC team York College also thinks Timmins will excel. Witman has known Timmins for years and said she is ready to be a head coach.

"I think she will do a great job," Witman said. "Coach Timmins was the first person I thought of for the head coaching job at MWC. She will be a good fit for the conference. I am looking forward to playing her."

Caitlin Wilkinson, a returning senior, is also excited about playing for Timmins. In the first basketball meeting of the season Wilkinson said Timmins is already talking about building a strong program and making a name for MWC.

"I think the meeting was good," Wilkinson said. "She has high expectations and they rub off on us. We will push us pretty hard but she is the type of person we want to work for."

Gallahan was sure that a coach with Timmins background would prosper in the athletic environment found at Mary Washington College.

"Timmins will be a great fit into the MWC Athletic family," Gallahan said. "She cares about academic and she wants to produce a winner."

Kevin Morris, the new women's basketball coach at the Newark branch of Rutgers and interim coach at Princeton last year also feels that she is adequately prepared for the transition to being a head coach.

"Coach Timmins is very organized and hard working," Morris said. "She is absolutely ready to be a head coach. She has all the qualities necessary to be a great head coach. It would not shock me to see her as a head coach at the next level some day."

Men's basketball Coach Rod Wood agrees with Morris's statement. He said that she was well beyond the other two candidates that MWC athletic staff interviewed.

"Coach Timmins demeanor is more suited for a head coach," Wood said. "Her goals are more in tune for what she can accomplish and because of her youth she has the energy level to do the things you need to do."

In addition to her duties as head basketball coach, Timmins will also be teaching courses at the college. She will teach a health class, volleyball class and basketball class. Timmins received her masters in education from the College of New Jersey, so feels fully qualified to teach these classes.

Hegmann is confident about her teaching ability as well. "She taught before, so she should do fine," Hegmann said. "The best coaches are great teachers and motivators too."

Sophomore Kelly Kinahan also is impressed with the new coach.

"She is totally into the job," Kinahan said. "She has so much energy and is very excited about this position. Her intensity and enthusiasm carry over into the program."

Timmins's enthusiasm is apparent when she talks about this upcoming season.

"It's a brand new season, it's a brand new team," Timmins said. "It's going to be a whole new look for us, from the coach all the way down to the players, so I am excited."

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## Fire Proof?

On April 24, 2001 a small fire occurred on the third floor of an academic building on Longwood's campus caused a blaze that drove 400 students out of their homes for the night. The cause of the fire was never determined, but arson was ruled out early and the Virginia State police closed the case on May 31, 2001. However, the school had to close its doors for the rest of the semester because of damage to academic buildings and records.

This summer, a small fire occurred in Dupont Hall during a musical performance, proving that Mary Washington College is not immune to blazes here. With these two instances in mind, the Department of Safety and Environmental Health has implemented yearly fire drills in academic and administrative buildings on campus.

This new policy has already proven to be beneficial to the college. Because of these drills, the college is able to solve the previously unknown problem of the faulty alarm system in Jepson Hall. In the event the building actually needed to be evacuated, the failure of the alarm system could easily have been fatal.

However, despite the benefits this policy has already shown, it brings to light glaring dangers in the college community. Several buildings on campus have no fire alarm system, including George Washington Hall. Despite holding countless events and being the center of campus administration, this building has no alarm system. If the fire that occurred in Dupont happened in George Washington, there is no telling how much damage could have been done, both to records and, more importantly, to people.

These buildings that lack alarm systems need them now. This is a problem that must be solved as soon as possible, not when the administration decides to allocate funds for it. After all, many campus administrators do work in George Washington Hall. Wouldn't it make sense for them to at least care about their own safety?

## 'Granite' And They Will Come

KRISTY J. BARTLE  
Guest Columnist

In the last issue of the Bulletin I was pleasantly surprised by the amount of criticism students expressed toward the lack of spirit on the Mary Washington College campus. One student, Eric Freire, even stated that we are losing the way we show our school spirit and the administration should do something about it. Well, I give Eric, and the other students that spoke out a round of applause because they are exactly right - something should be done.

But let's be honest, it's not just the administration that needs to do something; students need to unite and decide that the lack of school spirit is something that they want to change. This year is your chance to go out and change the fact that Mary Washington College lacks school spirit.

Perhaps you've heard that the administration has long wanted to bring a "Spirit Rock" to campus. This year it's actually going to happen. As a matter of fact, within the next month, a huge rock designated specifically for the display of school spirit will be placed between the Woodard Campus Center and Palmeri Plaza.

Now, when the rock arrives, I expect every one of you who wants to show their school pride to go out to the rock and plaster your expression of school spirit, whether it is, "The Class of 2002 Rules!", "Go Eagles!", "Good Luck MWC Soccer!" or to advertise an event your organization is hosting on campus all over our granite billboard. If everyone who thought there needed to be more school spirit went out and painted, there would be something new on the rock every day.

If you want to pick one week to turn everything around, start planning now to tape your favorite TV shows the first week of October and actually go out and do something during Spirit Week. Last year's fireworks at Homecoming were a huge success and over 1,000 people attended and raved about the event. But that still leaves 2/3 of Mary Washington College students that didn't partake in this exciting event.

This year there is a concert planned for the event, fireworks and while you can't bring alcohol to the event, pack a picnic dinner and come mingle with alumni and hang out with your friends. Go to the Mr. MWC pageant, participate in the Lip Sync contest, come to the SGA picnic or an ice cream eating contest in Seacabcock.

There is little doubt about it - there is a lack of school spirit here at Mary Washington College; however, instead of complaining to the Bulletin or your friends, get up and do something about it.

Kristy J. Bartle is a senior.

## Is There Life After College?

ANDREW WARD  
Guest Columnist

What will future historians say of us, queries Camus. "A single sentence will suffice for modern man: he fornicated and read the papers."

I, myself, having done neither in the space of the last two months, am now in possession of an alarming clarity of thought.

Graduating just last May with a degree in Religion and Philosophy, I was constantly met with jokes and jeering over what in the hell I was planning to do with such a B.A. in the "Real World".

Well, friends, I write to you now from across the sea and deep within the heart of Europe, from Katowice, the Silesian capital city, to tell you that I have successfully acquired contractual immunity from said, "Real World".

Finally yielding to pressure from friends and family, I drew up a list of requirements for a job I would accept:

- 1.) I must go to another country.
- 2.) I must learn another language.
- 3.) I must enjoy the work.

4.) I must earn a living wage.

I hopped on the net and finally found a program that suited me. It paid my rent and medical insurance for two years while I earned a Masters Degree with accreditation from an American institution entirely free of charge. Not to mention that my "work" consists of carrying-on hour-long conversations with fascinating Poles from all walks of life. I am currently existing in an optimal reality; the people are wonderful, the experience amazing and the females delectable beyond measure.

I do not write these words to boast of my condition, but rather, to empower yours. Do not sweat and fret as graduation day draws near. Indeed, you should never feel that you must consign yourself to work behind an office desk for the next thirty-five years. The world is vast and its needs are many. I have seen enough of it to know that your services - be they practical or philosophical, artistic or arithmetic - are required somewhere in the world right now.

Therefore, I urge every one of you to resist complacency and comfortable-convenience job-placement at all costs. Know what

you want and scour the globe until you find it, because it's there.

For you, for us, the "movers and shakers, the music-makers, and the dreamers of dreams," it's only "Our World" that counts, it's only "Our Reality" of which none but ourselves are the orchestrators, that matters.

Looking out across a Polish midnight - a full moon smiling back at me, I feel my work is done. For four years I wrote The Bulletin telling of my time at college. And now, five months removed from the last of it, I write to all those I never knew and tell them that they already know in theory, but perhaps not in practice, that they must never let the glory fade.

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yet not entirely comforting fact.

The playground we spent the day fixing up was a testament to the many kids that go through the shelter annually. ABC's are scribbled in marker along the wood siding, pieces of toys are scattered in the weeds and pebbles and a well-worn slide is the centerpiece of the place. COAR's Into The Streets had over 100 volunteers on Saturday, an amazing number that I'm proud to be a part of. But it isn't enough. I believe that every student on this campus owes something to the town of Fredericksburg. Community service is a nice thing to do; it should be an obligation.

Everyone at this school gets something out of the Fredericksburg community. Some of us swim in its rivers, some shop at Central Park or downtown, we all drive its roads and many of us will spend some part of our college years looking for housing in its neighborhoods. Sometimes there are complaints that the college isn't integrated enough with the community.

Let's do something about it. There are so many ways to give something back to Fredericksburg, through COAR, through student activist groups or on our own. Participate in a river cleanup, tutor at-risk kids (there are many), teach English to adults, lobby for or against Celebrate Virginia (depending on your belief) - but believe in something and show it!

If we, as a student body, actively give back to our society, the benefits will come back to us indefinitely. As Anne Frank said, "How wonderful is it that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."

Juliette Gomez  
Junior

If you would like to send a letter to the editor email us at [bullet@mw.edu](mailto:bullet@mw.edu)

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# Features

extras about people and places

## FAST FACT:

In Atlanta, it is illegal to tie a giraffe to a telephone pole or street lamp.

## thumbs



to the increased amount of freshmen guys on campus this year



to the broken air conditioning in Willard this past weekend



to the ice cream in Seacobeck this year



to the green stuff in the fountain



to the new paint job in the Eagle's Nest



to driving around for a half hour to find a commuter space

## in the stars

**Aquarius** - Be active. Don't allow your body to sit around all day. You need to give it exercise in order for it to be healthy.

**Pisces** - Be honest with yourself. Do allow yourself to believe in something that can never be fulfilled.

**Aries** - You must add consistency to your life. Erratic behavior may seem intriguing now, but it will hurt your future.

**Taurus** - Never impose yourself in someone's home. What you may intend as good will may come off as bad taste.

**Gemini** - If you are troubled by something you must tell someone. Their advice may help you to get out of this jam.

**Cancer** - Help your friend who is having difficulties. Get involved in their life so you can get them out of this slump that they've been in.

**Leo** - Your partner may be telling you that your relationship is getting too intense for them. If so, back off for a little while. They will come back to you more in love than ever before.

**Virgo** - Don't focus too much on the things you have but rather the people who love you. Material things will never love you, they will only make your life more costly.

**Libra** - Be careful who you let into your life. Do not set yourself up for disappointment.

**Scorpio** - Don't be dramatic when trying to solve your problems. Control your emotions so others do not overreact.

**Sagittarius** - Give a special treat to your lover by being especially romantic tonight. Do something for them that they have been dreaming about for a long time. Show them how much you love them.

**Capricorn** - Someone will make you an offer, but think it through before accepting it. Ask yourself how this will affect everyone in your life.

# You Will Read This Story...

## Tom DeLuca Hypnotizes Mary Washington College Campus Again

By **ABBIE MACATUNO**  
Staff Writer

He hid his squirt gun conspicuously within the folds of his red Hawaiian shirt. Then, freshman Joseph Herbert, ducking behind chairs and moving in a series of sloppy rolls, gleefully shot the performer and proceeded to run off the stage. Since it is months away from junior ring week, this can only be the work of hypnotist Tom DeLuca.

While Herbert was in a hypnotic state, DeLuca convinced him that he was a great spy whose goal was to hit DeLuca with the squirt gun filled with "invisible ink." After the first shots, DeLuca told Herbert that it was now a trick gun which only worked when the gun was pointed at his own head.

"I remember bits and pieces like shooting myself [in the head]," Herbert said. "It wasn't like you're being controlled. You just have this overwhelming urge to do what he wanted you to do. It wasn't like mind control."

The response was overwhelming for students who wanted to participate.

"All my friends said that I had to do it," said junior volunteer and Bulletin News Editor Phillip Griffith. "They all made me do it. I saw it last year. I definitely wanted to do it. I got really nervous though, and I was hyperventilating and freaking out."

Griffith and another student danced together in an impromptu ballet involving dramatic poses and lifts. Prior to the dance, DeLuca told them that they were dancers in the New York City Ballet.

DeLuca said having the students dance is one of his favorite routines, especially when it goes as well as he believed it did last Monday night.

DeLuca originally chose twenty-one people to fill the seats on stage, but an unfortunate few were unable to remain fully hypnotized for the whole performance.

"Some people are okay and some people are not," DeLuca said. "I have to keep the line of suggestion open with them, so they keep believing it. I normally take around 20 people because I don't know how they're going to be because I usually lose around five, six, or seven people. I only want to work with people with the best personalities."

When the students first arrived on stage, the crowd was given time to chat quietly while DeLuca gently spoke to them and had them listen to soothing music. In a series of snaps and pats on

the heads of the students on stage, DeLuca lulled them into hypnosis.

"I knew it was working when people's heads were rolling back and they looked like they were in some kind of trance," junior Abbi Dougherty said.

"I thought it was hilarious and well planned out," sophomore Rachelle Chretien said. "I'm not sure if I believe everyone was [hypnotized], but I believe it's possible."

DeLuca persuaded junior Juliana D'Andrilli into believing that she was "Chief Too Much Fun" and was responsible for keeping the crowds calm. D'Andrilli became agitated with the crowd and yelled for them to "shut up" and threatened to retire from her imaginary position.

"I don't remember much but I do remember dancing and feeling so relaxed," D'Andrilli said. "I also remember that I really wanted to go up there so badly."

DeLuca earned his Masters in Psychology at the University of Illinois, and now lives in Orlando, Fla. with his wife and dog. He learned to hypnotize people while working for a therapist who hypnotized large groups of people to help them to lose weight or quit smoking.

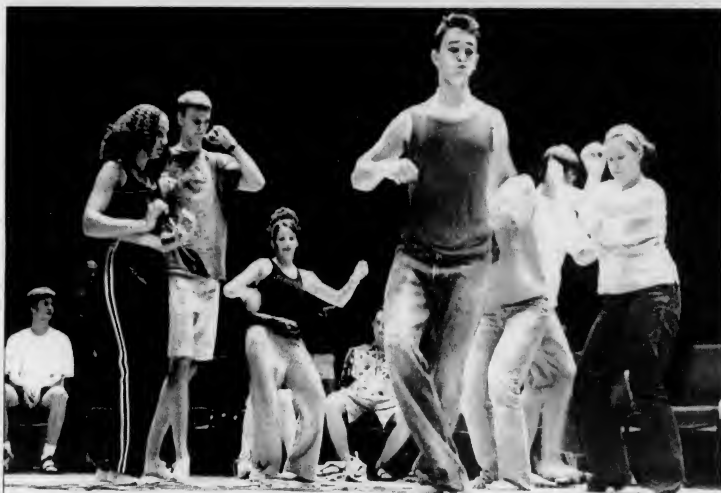
He performs his hypnosis performances and power napping seminars all over the country, and occasionally internationally for colleges, various Fortune 500 companies, and a few theatres. DeLuca has been featured in articles in Rolling Stone, the Wall Street Journal and various other newspapers, magazines, and television programs.

In response to what he would say to critics of hypnosis, DeLuca said, "Come and see, and then you'll believe."



Juliette Gomez/Bulletin

Above: Sophomore Mike Newbold flexes his muscles. Below: Hypnotized students bust a move.



Juliette Gomez/Bulletin

# Where Everybody Knows Your Name

By **AMANDA-KATE JACOBS**  
Assistant Features Editor

Saved by the Bell had the Max, 90210 had the Peach Pit. Fredericksburg has the 2400 Diner, and I have Shady Glen. Or rather, I should say that everyone in my hometown in Connecticut has Shady. You know the type of place I'm talking about. I'm sure almost every town in America has a restaurant similar to my favorite hangout. The food may not be gourmet, and the service a bit on the sketchy side, but everyone loves it all the same.

Everytime I go home for breaks, one of the first places that I think of visiting is Shady. I think that leaving for college and then returning has made me appreciate the value and significance Shady has had on my life. Like a well-preserved time capsule discovered in a garden bed, places of its significance are few and far between, and should be acknowledged for something much more valuable than simply cheeseburgers and milkshakes.

If I could use only one word to describe Shady, it would have to be "timeless." Not a single thing has changed since it opened in the 1950s. Customers walk into the restaurant and stand along the walls until a booth opens up. People who have never been there before are surprised at how casual it is, but we regulars know it no other way.

The waitresses all wear hideous green uniforms and hairnets and ask, "What'll it be?" just like you'd expect. There are usually three men manning the grill in the back, and with skill that few can capture they flip burgers and send batches of french fries into the sizzling vats of oil. Watching them

cook is like a spectator sport, and people clamor for a booth near the grill for a better view of the action.

My Shady Glen experiences started at an early age. My father would take me out on nights when my mother worked, and we fostered our father-daughter bond over artery-clogging delicacies. It was our way to catch up, just the two of us, eating great food and having a good time.

Now, when I enter Shady Glen, I love to watch the families with their small children, eating dinner, talking and laughing while the kids spin around on the metal stools along

the counter. Hopefully, one day when I go to visit my parents, I'll be able to take my kids there.

Teenage life gave Shady Glen a different twist from the family bonding sessions of my youth. Shady was a popular place to go on a date, and several relationships were cemented over hot fudge sundaes, with two spoons, of course. It was a place to be seen, and we often used Shady as a public declaration of our relationships.

As a shy seventh grader, I went there on my first date. Everytime I see the little two-seater booth, I fondly remember my date with

a boy who was four inches shorter than me.

Later, during senior year with off campus lunch privileges, Shady Glen was a common ground for all of us. Whether you were a jock, a math nerd, anti-social or the poster child for popularity, lunch at Shady Glen was a social equalizer. Although the different groups didn't always get along, somehow everyone managed to be friendly while chowing down in Shady.

I've brought friends from college to Shady, and so far, I don't think they quite understand my love affair with the place. To them, it's just a diner with good food, but for me it is a roadmap of my life.

I used to roll down the big hill on the side of the restaurant with the rest of the town kids, went there on countless dates and bonding sessions with friends, and I'd like to think that a cheeseburger and French fries were my first solid food.

Everytime I go back home, I find more things that have changed since I've left. My friends, my family, even the house I grew up in has had a face lift. It can be quite disconcerting to realize that life continues, whether or not you're there.

When I need to be surrounded by something consistent, I head to Shady. I know that when I walk in, the cheeseburgers will always have their signature crispy cheese, the milkshakes will be the consistency of partially melted ice cream, and the waitresses will wear hairnets. For a short time, I can sit back and relax in a place that I know will never ever change, and that is a good thing.



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Shady Glen, a diner in Manchester, Conn., is one of those places the author refers to as a "roadmap" of her life.

# 'Wild Boy' Rochelle Releases Novel

By MELINDA COMPTON  
Staff Writer

Warren Rochelle, assistant professor of English at Mary Washington College, released his first novel on Sept. 1, a science fiction work titled "The Wild Boy."

The story is about the Lindauzi, an alien species that comes to earth with the intent to domesticate the human race. The response from critics has been positive.

Booklist, a source frequently used by librarians in deciding which books to purchase, calls "The Wild Boy" a "...wonderfully moving variation on the classic theme of Earth's subjugation by aliens."

Kirkus Reviews states "...Rochelle has produced what amounts to a solid alien-invasion novel of the sort not common in science fiction since the 1950s and '60s."

Rochelle began work on "The Wild Boy" in 1989. One night he had a dream involving children in cages of translucent red glass. When he woke up he wrote a short story about one of these children escaping to the "summer country"—a mythical place where he would experience freedom. In 1991, Rochelle turned the short story into the first draft of the novel for his MFA thesis at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He then submitted the manuscript to publishing companies, all of whom rejected it.

Rochelle put the novel aside until 1997, when he finished his doctorate. He then erased the entire story from his hard drive and rewrote the story according to the suggestions he had received from publishers.

"You kind of have to learn to believe in yourself and that you're doing good work," Rochelle said. "Some of the rejections were pretty nasty, and you have to learn to be tenacious and to keep trying. You really have to want it."

In February 1999, Rochelle sent the manuscript to Gary Turner, publisher and editor of Golden Gryphon Press, a relatively new company that had made a name for itself publishing works from relatively unknown writers. In March 1999, Turner sent Rochelle a letter of acceptance for "The Wild Boy."

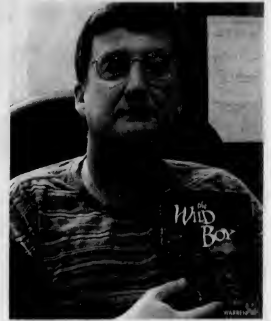
After approval of Rochelle's manuscript, the process was stagnant for a while. Then, in the fall of 2000, Rochelle and Turner began the copywriting and editing process on the novel, corresponding by email. The official release date for Rochelle's book was Saturday, Sept. 1, 2001.

After receiving the first copies of his book, Rochelle said that he must have reread it five times, each time thinking, "Gosh, I wrote that!"

"The rush you get when you open up that box — it's like wow," Rochelle said. "There's nothing that compares to it. It's like, 'This is finally happening.'"

Walden Books, and possibly Borders, will hold a book signing for Rochelle and "The Wild Boy" in the coming month. Rochelle will also attend a science fiction conference in Durham, North Carolina to give a reading and book signing.

Rochelle is currently at work on his second novel, a fantasy titled "Harvest of Changelings."



Warren Rochelle proudly displays his first novel, a sci-fi work titled "The Wild Boy."

To learn more about "The Wild Boy,"  
visit [www.goldengryphon.com](http://www.goldengryphon.com).

## Injury Sends Professor Gillespie on Sabbatical A Torn Tendon During Summer Barbados Trip Ends The Fun

By ERIN GRIMM  
Staff Writer

Due to an injury she suffered over the summer in Barbados, Associate Professor of English, Carmen Gillespie, is on sabbatical for the Fall 2001 semester.

Near the end of the summer study abroad session in Barbados, Gillespie fell down a flight of stairs and ruptured her quadriceps tendon, the tendon that connects the quad muscle to the knee. Five days later Gillespie had to leave the trip early for emergency surgery that was not available in Barbados.

"It was very hard and sad to leave the students because I felt responsible for their time and safety in Barbados," Gillespie said.

Jodi Allen from the College of William and Mary replaced Gillespie for the remainder of the trip. The students in Barbados said that they were affected by Gillespie's absence.

"I was extremely sad that Carmen had to leave early, but the group managed to still have a great time," sophomore Ted Lewis said. "Since Carmen led most of the lectures, we had to cram them into one day and condense our discussions on the six books that were left. Luckily, Jodi was an excellent replacement."

Senior Kate Eingut said she was saddened by Gillespie's absence.

"Carmen was a great presence and made everyone feel comfortable," Eingut said. "She was more of a mother figure and a friend during the trip. We all knew what the trip meant to her, so that made the situation harder."

Gillespie's total recovery will take about a year, but she hopes to return to Mary Washington College in the spring. She will start physical therapy in four to five weeks. In addition, she is unable to drive as a result of injuries to her right leg. Gillespie commented on how many things she has taken for granted in the past, and how her injuries have affected those around her.

"Basically, the ability to walk across the room, be able to move around and go where you want to go. I also have a new appreciation for handicap accessibility and those people who need it in their daily lives," she said. "It has

been traumatic for my family as well. There are so many adjustments, like having to telephone someone all the time if I want to eat, and now my husband does all the cooking."

She also said that she has had to make changes in more than her day-to-day activities.

"It is really difficult for me to figure out what to do,"

Gillespie said. "This is the first time in eleven years I haven't taught at the college level. I'm disappointed and very sorry that I'm not able to teach this semester. The doctor recommended that I take a sabbatical because the knee can be easily re-ruptured with any wrong movement."

No classes were cancelled as a result of Gillespie's injury since the administration was able to find replacements. Marc Singer, a graduate student from the University of Maryland, is now teaching African-American Literature, one of several courses Gillespie was scheduled to teach.

Senior Andree Williamson was eager to have Gillespie for the class.

"I regretted for it because I had Gillespie for a previous class and I really liked her style," Williamson said. "Obviously, I was disappointed when I found out she wouldn't be able to teach this semester, but I hope she recovers soon and can return in the spring."

Gillespie was also scheduled to teach Survey of American Literature with Professors Mara Scanlon and Mary Rigby. Part of the course is lecture-based, meaning that three professors work together to develop a course project for the semester.

"We have taught American Survey several times together and we had a comfortable dynamic going," Rigby said. "We had also developed a new course project together and we will miss what Carmen contributed to the project and the expertise she brought to the course."

Tim Walton is now working with Scanlon and Rigby to teach the survey course.

Gillespie said that she is as thankful as the other professors that the school was able to fill her position. "I'm very grateful to the Mary Washington administration who have been extraordinarily helpful with my situation, making it so I can take the time to recuperate," Gillespie said.

"This is the first time in eleven years I haven't taught at the college level. I'm disappointed and very sorry that I'm not able to teach this semester."

- Carmen Gillespie

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# Sports

the latest athletic news and information

## schedules

### Field Hockey

Sept. 8: vs Lebanon Valley College  
Sept. 12: vs Goucher College

### Women's Soccer

Sept. 8: at Western Maryland College  
Sept. 13: at North Carolina Wesleyan College  
Sept. 19: at St. Mary's College of MD

### Men's Soccer

Sept. 8-9: MWC Classic  
Sept. 13: at North Carolina Wesleyan College  
Sept. 16: at Frostburg State University

### Cross Country

Sept. 8: at Lebanon Valley  
Sept. 15: at Western Maryland

### Volleyball

Sept. 7-8: at Gettysburg College  
Tournament  
Sept. 11: at Goucher College

### Men's Rugby

Sept. 8: vs Georgetown University

## scores

### Field Hockey

Aug. 31: vs Washington College W 3-0  
Sept. 1: vs Washington College L 4-3

### Women's Soccer

Sept. 1: vs Gettysburg College L 0-1  
Sept. 2: vs Wilmington College T 2-2  
-Gettysburg College Tournament

### Men's Soccer

Sept. 1: vs Elizabethtown W 3-0

### Volleyball

Sept. 1: Villa Julie College W 3-0  
Sept. 5: Lynchburg W 3-1

### Men's Rugby

Sept. 1: George Mason W 36-10

## athlete of the week

### Mark Malone

The sophomore fullback scored twice for the MWC Rugby Team as the Eagles beat George Mason University 36-10.

## Stopping The Opposition

### MWC Wants CAC Title

By KEVIN THOMPSON  
Staff Writer

Last Saturday, the MWC men's soccer team defeated Elizabethtown 3-0 in the first official game of the season. Added to a tied scrimmage on Aug. 28 against last year's division champ Messiah College, the victory has brought a good outlook for the team's oncoming season.

"It looks like we have a really good team this year," said freshman defender Brandon Lamb. "I was pretty nervous because it was my first game, so I didn't handle the ball as well as I could. As I play more I'll get better."

The new season has also opened with the team playing a different type of defense. With the adjustment of adding new players and facing a very competitive year, Coach Roy Gordon has switched the players to zone defense rather than the usual man-to-man defense.

This is a stronger type of defense than the team is accustomed to playing around.

"It's not the same old, same old from

previous years. The idea is to defend well so we do not give up many goals," Gordon said.

Center Steve Ramos supports the change. "This year we're concentrating on defense, which will take care of the offense," Ramos said.

The only question is how the players will adapt to the new defense.

"We're playing flat-back four for the first time, so everybody's still getting used to it," Lamb said.

The zone defense is expected to be demanding of the players, especially because the players are taking on more individual responsibility.

"It's a system of play that relies on good judgement for what the teammates are going to do and takes a lot of concentration," Gordon said.

The new plan has shown some results.

Sophomore midfielder Caleb Billmeier noticed stronger defenses in the Elizabethtown game.

"I think that we looked strong defensively," Billmeier said. "So the offensive strategy of Elizabethtown wasn't too much."



Amanda Tillman/Bullet

Sophomore Sarah Sebring fires a pass.

## Field of Dreams

By MICHELLE TARTALIO  
Staff Writer

The Mary Washington College field hockey team has traditionally been one of the best teams in their Division III conference. This year should be no different despite a disappointing loss to Frostburg State University last weekend.

The Eagles split their games this weekend, winning their season opener against Washington College 3-0 on Friday. Senior All-American Jessica Morris scored a goal in both games last weekend.

The Eagles started fast with a 2-0 in under five minutes into the game but Frostburg came away with the 4-3 win. The other two Eagle's goals against Frostburg were scored by sophomores Adrienne Trombley and Meghan McMahon.

The early loss to Frostburg could really be a benefit to the Eagle's because the team can put together and figure out what they need to do to win the conference.

"This season we'll win the conference..." Soper said.

The conference title is a practical goal and Wednesday night's game against

Villa Julie College and this Saturday's home game could help the team move in the right direction.

"We're looking forward to playing on our home field because it really gets the team fired up," said senior Christine Ballance. Ballance played a great game last Friday against Washington College and had a defensive save against Frostburg State University.

"This season we'll win the conference..."

Chrissy Soper

The field hockey team is filled with depth and talent but another unusual quality: they all have college playing experience.

"We have all returning players starting this season and no freshmen on the starting lineup," said McMahon.

The combined experience of the starters should help the team capture the conference title.

"Salisbury University is a returning Final Four team," head coach Dana Hall said. "They are pretty much intact and back in top form."

The team's play early in the season should set the pace for another great season of field hockey. Morris should lead the team to the conference finals and the experience of the players should make the team fun to watch.

## FAST FACT:

Aerosmith used to like to bring chainsaws with them on tour so they could hack up their hotel rooms easier.



Joel Nelson/Bullet

Brian Hall repels a shot in practice while preparing for the season.

As the team begins their season, they are also working on other standard skills to build improvement.

"We could use a little work on our counterattack," Ramos said.

In the past few games, the team has kept a strong midfield though, hoping to concentrate on offense as well as defense.

"Our midfield is solid and our forwards have a lot of skill," Billmeier said. "This year we've added a lot of speed too."

"The only problem we have is getting the ball to the midfields," Lamb said.

As for the expectations for the season, the players are trying not to be too overly confident.

"We still have to play Salisbury, which is always tough," Billmeier said. "But I don't see a reason why we shouldn't make it to the NCAA tournament."

As an optimistic season lies ahead of the team, Gordon has pinpointed the future goals.

"Our main focus is conference play," Gordon said. "There are the seven conference games and the conference tournament. If we win on Nov. 3, we'll be in the NCAA tournament."

## They're On A Mission

By LIZ KELLER  
Staff Writer

The Mary Washington College volleyball team opened their season at Villa Julie College with a 3-0 win, Saturday, Sept. 1 with hopes to continue this success throughout the season.

The Eagles have high expectations this year with six strong returning players and seven freshmen.

"We have a lot of conference games at home," head coach Dee Conway said. "We want to make a statement not to other teams but to ourselves. We're on a mission. Every game we play is a mission. If we win, mission accomplished. If we don't, we'll just try harder next time."

Junior Sarah Libby thinks the team will go far because of their ability to work well together.

"The bond that the team has off the court helps us to play better on the court," Libby said. "Volleyball is a team sport and because of the bond we have, we all work

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Amanda Tillman/Bullet

Sophomore Lauren Eigel lofts the ball.

## Running On Empty?

Men's Team Reloads, Women's Team Strong

By OSASU AIRHIVABERE  
Assistant Sports Editor

The Mary Washington College men and women's cross country teams return this fall with an optimistic outlook, even after losing two exceptional runners on the men's side to injuries.

"Things have certainly changed in the last couple of weeks," said Stan Soper, the men and women's cross country teams coach about the men's team. Sophomore Erich Heckel and senior Alex Addison, have been removed from the men's team roster due to injuries.

"We've known most of the summer that we probably would not have Erich Heckel but again when we lost Alex Addison on top of that, it

certainly changed the make up of put team somewhat," Soper said.

Heckel, who was named the Conference Rookie of the Year after placing fifth in the Capital Athletic Conference

Championship meet last Cross Country season, said he sustained a fracture in his left knee cap at the outdoor track CAC Championships last April.

Addison, who was one of the eight Track & Field CAC Champions last spring, was involved in a car accident over the summer and was left in a neck brace due to a neck injury. Even with these losses, Soper thinks that by the end of the year the men can still have a good team.

The men's team is a relatively young team. So far, it consists of five freshmen, five sophomores,

and two seniors. Only a few members of the team are returning athletes. Brian Walsh, one of the two seniors, said, "There are a lot of good freshmen and I think we can do really well as a team if they step up."

Soper said, "Matt Kirk has probably been the most impressive freshman to this point. I think the men are capable have a very solid year," Soper said.

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the latest athletic news and information

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Sept. 13: MWC Classic  
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Sept. 13: at North Carolina Wesleyan College  
Sept. 16: at Frostburg State University

### Cross Country

Sept. 8: at Lebanon Valley  
Sept. 15: at Western Maryland

### Volleyball

Sept. 7-8: at Gettysburg College  
Tournament  
Sept. 10: at Goucher College

### Men's Rugby

Sept. 8: vs Georgetown University

## scores

### Field Hockey

Aug. 31: vs Washington College W 3-0  
Sept. 1: vs. Washington College L 4-3

### Women's Soccer

Sept. 1: vs Gettysburg College L 0-1  
Sept. 2: vs Wilmington College T 2-2  
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Sept. 1: vs Elizabethtown W 3-0

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Sept. 1: Villa Julie College W 3-0  
Sept. 5: Lynchburg W 3-1

### Men's Rugby

Sept. 1: George Mason W 36-10

## athlete of the week

### Mark Malone

The sophomore fullback scored twice for the MWC Rugby Team as the Eagles beat George Mason University 36-10.

## Stopping The Opposition

### MWC Wants CAC Title

By KEVIN THOMPSON  
Staff Writer

Last Saturday, the MWC men's soccer team defeated Elizabethtown 3-0 in the first official game of the season.

Added to a tied scrimmage on Aug. 28 against last year's division champ Messiah College, the victory has brought a good outlook for the team's ongoing season.

"It looks like we have a really good team this year," said freshman defender Brandon Lamb. "I was pretty nervous because it was my first game, so I didn't handle the ball as well as I could. As I play more I'll get better."

The new season has also opened with the team playing a different type of defense. With the adjustment of adding new players and facing a very competitive year, Coach Roy Gordon has switched the players to zone defense rather than the usual man-to-man defense.

This is a stronger type of defense than the team is accustomed to playing around.

"It's not the same old, same old from

previous years. The idea is to defend well so we do not give up many goals," Gordon said.

Center Steve Ramos supports the change. "This year we're concentrating on defense, which will take care of the offense," Ramos said.

The only question is how the players will adapt to the new defense.

"We're playing flat-back four for the first time, so everybody's still getting used to it," Lamb said.

The zone defense is expected to be demanding of the players, especially because the players are taking on more individual responsibility.

"It's a system of play that relies on good judgment for what the teammates are going to do and takes a lot of concentration," Gordon said.

The new plan has shown some results.

Sophomore midfielder Caleb Billmeier noticed stronger defenses in the Elizabethtown game.

"I think that we looked strong defensively," Billmeier said. "So the offensive strategy of Elizabethtown wasn't too much."



Brian Hall repels a shot in practice while preparing for the season.

As the team begins their season, they are also working on other standard skills to build improvement.

"We could use a little work on our counterattack," Ramos said.

In the past few games, the team has kept a strong midfield though, hoping to concentrate on offense as well as defense.

"Our midfield is solid and our forwards have a lot of skill," Billmeier said. "This year we've added a lot of speed too."

"The only problem we have is getting the ball to the midfielders," Lamb said.

As for the expectations for the season, the players are trying not to be too overly confident.

"We still have to play Salisbury, which is always tough," Billmeier said. "But I don't see a reason why we shouldn't make it to the NCAA tournament."

As an optimistic season lies ahead of the team, Gordon has pinpointed the future goals.

"Our main focus is conference play," Gordon said. "There are the seven conference games and the conference tournament. If we win on Nov. 3, we'll be in the NCAA tournament."



Amanda Tillman/Bullet

Sophomore Sarah Sebring fires a pass.

## Field of Dreams

By MICHELLE TARTALIO  
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The Mary Washington College field hockey team has traditionally been one of the best teams in their Division III conference. This year should be no different despite a disappointing loss to Frostburg State University last weekend.

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The Eagles started fast with a 2-0 in under five minutes into the game but Frostburg came away with the 4-3 win. The other two Eagles' goals against Frostburg were scored by sophomores Adrienne Trombley and Meghan McMahon.

The early loss to Frostburg could really be a benefit to the Eagles because the team can pull together and figure out what they need to do to win the conference.

"This season we'll win the conference..." Soper said.

The conference title is a practical goal and Wednesday night's game against

Villa Julie College and this Saturday's home game could help the team move in the right direction.

"We're looking forward to playing on our home field because it really gets the team fired up," said senior Christine Ballance. Ballance played a great game last Friday against Washington College and had a defensive save against Frostburg State University.

The field hockey team is filled with depth and talent but another unusual quality; they all have college playing experience.

"We have all returning players starting this season and no freshmen on the starting lineup," said McMahon.

The combined experience of the starters should help the team capture the conference title.

"Salisbury University is a returning Final Four team," head coach Dana Hall said. "They are pretty much intact and back to top form."

The team's play early in the season should set the pace for another great season of field hockey. Morris should lead the team to the conference finals and the experience of the players should make the team fun to watch.

## They're On A Mission

By LIZ KELLER  
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The Mary Washington College volleyball team opened their season at Villa Julie College with a 3-0 win, Saturday, Sept. 1 with hopes to continue this success throughout the season.

The Eagles have high expectations this year with six strong returning players and seven freshmen.

"We have a lot of conference games at home," head coach Dee Conway said. "We want to make a statement not to other teams but to ourselves. We're on a mission. Every game we play is a mission. If we win, mission accomplished. If we don't, we'll just try harder next time."

Junior Sarah Libby thinks the team will go far because of their ability to work well together.

"The bond that the team has off the court helps us to play better on the court," Libby said. "Volleyball is a team sport and because of the bond we have, we all work

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Sophomore Lauren Eigel lofts the ball.

## Running On Empty?

Men's Team Reloads, Women's Team Strong

By OSASU AIRHAYEBERE  
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The Mary Washington College men and women's cross country teams return this fall with an optimistic outlook, even after losing two exceptional runners on the men's side to injuries.

"Things have certainly changed in the last couple of weeks," said Stan Soper, the men and women's cross country teams coach about the men's team. Sophomore Erich Heckel and senior Alex Addison, have been removed from the men's team roster due to injuries.

"We've known most of the summer that we probably would not have Erich Heckel but again when we lost Alex Addison on top of that, it

certainly changed the make up of our team somewhat," Soper said.

Heckel, who was named the Conference Rookie of the Year after placing fifth in the Capital Athletic Conference

Championship meet last Cross Country season, said he sustained a fracture in his left knee cap at the outdoor track CAC Championships last April.

Addison, who was one of the eight Track & Field CAC Champions last spring, was involved in a car accident over the summer and was left in a neck brace due to a neck injury. Even with these losses, Soper thinks that by the end of the year the men can still have a good team.

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Nudity-Filled Show Delights All At The Underground

By KATIE WOOD

Assistant Viewpoints Editor

A punk fury invaded The Underground Thursday, Aug. 30, when the sounds of The Charm City Suicides, The Gibbons, and Charlie Brown Gets A Valentine started off the year with a show that will be difficult to match. The bands collectively gave students everything from ear-piercing vocals to complete nudity.

Opening the show was the Charm City Suicides, a Baltimore-based garage-punk band characterized by the convulsions of its lead vocalist and the moshing stylings of the bassist.

Lying on his back on the floor, bassist Walker (no last name available) fervently strummed his bass guitar as lead singer Mike Apichella perched on a speaker, screaming the indecipherable lyrics to their song, "I'm In Love."

"[Apichella] is very Tom Greenesque," said sophomore Lauren Boswell. Walker concluded their performance by attacking senior Brian Gibson, wrestling him to the ground.

"They shredded so hard I think I hurt something," Gibson said.

Harboring graduate Brian Stozek as their bassist, The Gibbons, a Delaware-based group, changed the pace with a little less fury and a lot more unity. Drummer Mark Helfman took lead vocals, rapidly spouting off lyrics but eventually settling into a smooth collaborative hum with guitarist Chris Cornell.

The guys nearly emptied the seats in The Underground, drawing much of the audience to the front where they stood still, amazed at the harmony the band maintained.

Charlie Brown Gets A Valentine finally claimed the stage to conclude the show. Evoking an even greater response from the crowd, the group has an emo punk-rock sound.

Even though they just finished a two month tour covering the eastern side of the Mississippi River, it was clear the band still truly enjoyed playing. The drummer Costas (no last name available), proceeded to remove more and more of his clothing throughout the show. During the last song, Costas bared it all, sporting his baby blue boxers on his head for the remainder of the show.

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Griffin's witty, creative lyrics give every song on this CD the ability to be heard over and over without wanting to break the disc.

The first single, "Extra Ordinary," is a fun song featuring DJ Swamp doing some old school record scratching in the background. The lyrics are original and amusing ("Just like that Barenaked Ladies song/I'm not like wasabi when I'm next to your body"), and the infectious guitar melody looped through the tune exhibits a newfound songwriting ingenuity.

"Get You In," a song about the struggles within a relationship, is a beautiful, simple ballad with a chorus that's easy to sing along to, but difficult to get out of your head. Griffin exhibits raw emotion on this song and possibly the best singing I've ever heard on any BTE album.

Most of the songs on the album are letters like "Sincerely, Me," which deals with the emotions following a breakup. Others are personal recognitions, like "Closer," which tells the story about the birth of a child. One of the best songs is the first track, "Misunderstood," a story about a young actress attempting to find her way to Hollywood. The lyrics on this are well-written, following the story from the girl speaking the audition lines in her sleep to the day she throws coffee in the face of her manager and quits her job.

BTE's CD is a refreshing change from the sameness of the pop songs of the summer of 2001. They may not be bleached-blond, harmonizing cash cows, but they ooze originality from every part of their being, making them a phenomenal band.



Photo Courtesy of yahoo.com

Better Than Ezra's fourth studio release is better than ever.

# If there weren't classes on Labor Day, what would you have done?

Photos and interviews by Juliette Gomez



"Have a great picnic and get some sun!"

Courtney Childe, junior



"Label my burned CD's."

Victor Mondino, sophomore



"Gone waterskiing at Lake Anna."

Erin Brown, junior



"Sit on my toilet all day long reading Cosmopolitan."

Connor Peterson, sophomore



"I took it off anyways and went to a sailing race."

Hannah Chowning, junior

## Crash Ends Star's Career

By PORTSIA SMITH  
Staff Writer

The rise of a talented singer, dancer, and aspiring actress ended in tragedy on Aug. 25 when 22-year-old Aaliyah Hughton died in a plane crash just one month after the release of her self-titled album, Aaliyah.

After completing a video shoot in the Bahamas, Aaliyah and eight others died instantly when her plane exploded just 200 feet from takeoff. The cause of the crash has yet to be determined, but reports by Cessna Pilots Association state that the plane was hundreds of pounds overloaded.

Aaliyah, also known as Baby Girl, had a unique and original style that turned her from a R&B star to a modern pop star. Her style was similar to that of Janet

Jackson mixed with Madonna. She captured Janet's smooth dance tunes and catchy beats and is as mischievous and mysterious as Madonna.

Her debut, "Age Ain't Nothing But A Number" was in 1994 when she was only 15. She appeared as a hard-core girl with a soft, sultry voice. Her second album, "One In A Million," went double platinum in 1996 with the hit "If Your Girl Only Knew." Five years after her last album, she released her third album, Aaliyah.

A sense of self-discovery and maturity is evident in this upbeat, yet laid-back album that proves Baby Girl has grown into a woman. She explores different topics in relationships from physical abuse and breaking up to intimate moments and getting back together.

The first single, "We Need A Resolution," has a snake-charming, middle-eastern sound with periodic hand claps and in her lyrics Aaliyah attempts to settle a dispute with a lover. This is one of the tracks on the album produced by Timbaland, who has produced her other popular tracks such as "Are You That Somebody" ("Dr. Dolittle") and "Try Again" ("Romeo Must Die").

Aaliyah comforts and expresses her feelings to a friend in the slow and serious "I Care 4 U" written by Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott. Her vocal range is truly demonstrated in this ballad. This is one of the best songs on the album and is also produced by Timbaland.

She shot the video in the Bahamas for the erotic "Rock The Boat." The song describes a romantic fantasy, so the title is self explanatory. This track takes awhile to get used to, but soon the sexy and seducing Caribbean beat will have you swaying your hips back and forth.

Songs that you could jam to include "Extra Smooth," the Latin "Read Between The Lines," and the hidden bonus track "Messed Up."

Her originality made her one in a million and her sudden death shows that age ain't nothing but a number. Aaliyah's talent and beauty will be missed by all of her fans.



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Aaliyah's self-titled album was released one month before her death.

## Editor's MTV Awards Picks

By JULIE STAVITSKI  
Scene Editor

That time of the year is upon us again: the time when giddy girls and boys sit in front of their television sets with bated breath while Britney Spears strips down to nothing but a see-through catsuit and glittering g-string. All hail the 2001 MTV Video Music Awards.

Being the musical guru that I am, I am now bestowing upon you my picks for the recipients of the silver-plated moon man award.

**Best Video:** Although the peep-show remake of "Lady Marmalade" is a heavy favorite, my pick goes to Fatboy Slim's "Weapon of Choice." Any video that features Christopher Walken dancing straight-faced through an elaborately decorated hotel is far more entertaining and creative than four turned-up whores showing as much skin as they always do. This is also my pick for Best Male Video.

**Best Group Video:** I'm personally hoping for U2's "Elevation Remix." Just as long as Destiny's Child's "Survivor" doesn't win. Did anyone else notice that they stole the part where they're in the raft from the movie "Cast Away"?

**Best New Artist:** David Gray's "Babylon." This man is an absolutely phenomenal artist, and has talent that far exceeds any of the others in this category, with the exception of Alicia Keys.

**Viewers Choice:** Every single person in this group annoys the hell out of me. Backstreet Boys, \*NSYNC, Destiny's Child, Limp Bizkit. Add Britney and I think I'll throw up on my T.V.

Most of the categories are biased to the pop stars who have the massive budgets to produce really flamboyant videos to really crappy songs. I hope the voters at MTV recognize creativity tonight at 8 p.m.

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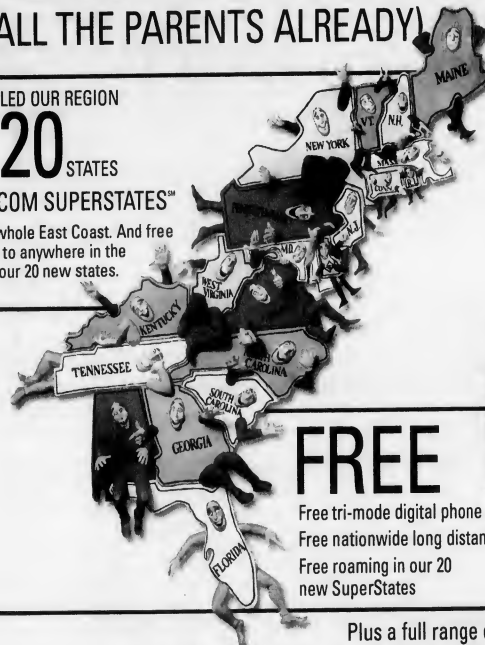
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never quite caught on.

Because of creative differences, BTE switched labels from Elektra to the independent label Beyond, and in the process has released the best album of their career. At least in my



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Better Than Ezra's fourth studio release is better than ever.

## FAST FACT:

Gene Simmons, lead singer of the band Kiss, earned a B.A. in Education and speaks four languages.

## Punk Rocks

Nudity-Filled Show Delights All At The Underground

By KATIE WOOD

Assistant Viewpoints Editor

A punk fury invaded The Underground Thursday, Aug. 30, when the sounds of The Charm City Suicides, The Gibbons, and Charlie Brown Gets A Valentine started off the year with a show that will

be difficult to match. The bands collectively gave students everything from ear-piercing vocals to complete nudity.

Opening the show was The Charm City Suicides, a Baltimore-based garage-punk band characterized by the convulsions of its lead vocalist and the moshing stylings of the bassist.

Lying on his back on the floor, bassist Walker (no last name available) fervently strummed his bass guitar as lead singer Mike Apichella perched on a speaker, screaming the indecipherable lyrics to their song, "I'm In Love."

"[Apichella] is very Tom Green-esque," said sophomore Lauren Boswell.

Walker concluded their performance by attacking senior Brian Gibson,

wrestling him to the ground. "They shredded so hard I think I hurt something," Gibson said.

Harboring graduate Brian Stoeke as their bassist, The Gibbons, a Delaware-based group, changed the pace with a little less fury and a lot more unity. Drummer Mark Helfman took lead vocals, rapidly spouting off lyrics but eventually settling into a smooth collaborative hum with guitarist Chris Cornell.

The guys nearly emptied the seats in The Underground, drawing much of the audience to the front where they stood still, amazed at the harmony the band maintained.

Charlie Brown Gets A Valentine finally claimed the stage to conclude the show. Evoking an even greater response from the crowd, the group has an emo punk-rock sound.

Even though they just finished a two month tour covering the eastern side of the Mississippi River, it was clear the band still truly enjoyed playing. The drummer Costas (no last name available), proceeded to remove more and more of his clothing throughout the show. During the last song, Costas bared it all, sporting his baby blue boxers on his head for the remainder of the show.

Lead vocalist Jon Moser simply stated, "he plays better when he's naked."

"[Costas] plays better when he's naked."

Jon Moser

Juliette Gomez/Bullet



# If there weren't classes on Labor Day, what would you have done?

Photos and interviews by Juliette Gomez



"Have a great picnic and get some sun!"

Courtney Childe, junior



"Label my burned CD's."

Victor Mondino, sophomore



"Gone waterskiing at Lake Anna."

Erin Brown, junior



"Sit on my toilet all day long reading Cosmopolitan."

Connor Peterson, sophomore



"I took it off anyways and went to a sailing race."

Hannah Chowning, junior

## Crash Ends Star's Career

By PORTSIA SMITH  
Staff Writer

The rise of a talented singer, dancer, and aspiring actress ended in tragedy on Aug. 25 when 22-year-old Aaliyah Houghton died in a plane crash just one month after the release of her self-titled album, Aaliyah.

After completing a video shoot in the Bahamas, Aaliyah and eight others died instantly when her plane exploded just 200 feet from takeoff. The cause of the crash has yet to be determined, but reports by Cessna Pilots Association state that the plane was hundreds of pounds overloaded.

Aaliyah, also known as Baby Girl, had a unique and original style that turned her from a R&B star to a modern pop star. Her style was similar to that of Janet

Jackson mixed with Madonna. She captured Janet's smooth dance tunes and catchy beats and is as mischievous and mysterious as Madonna.

Her debut, "Age Ain't Nothing But A Number" was in 1994 when she was only 15. She appeared as a hard-core girl with a soft, sultry voice. Her second album, "One In A Million," went double platinum in 1996 with the hit "If Your Girl Only Knew." Five years after her last album, she released her third album, Aaliyah.

A sense of self-discovery and maturity is evident in this upbeat, yet laid-back album that proves Baby Girl has grown into a woman. She explores different topics in relationships from physical abuse and breaking up to intimate moments and getting back together.

The first single, "We Need A Resolution," has a snake-charming, middle-eastern sound with periodic hand claps and in her lyrics Aaliyah attempts to settle a dispute with a lover. This is one of the tracks on the album produced by Timbaland, who has produced her other popular tracks such as "Are You That Somebody" ("Dr. Dolittle") and "Try Again" ("Romeo Must Die").

Aaliyah comforts and expresses her feelings to a friend in the slow and serious "I Care 4 U" written by Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott. Her vocal range is truly demonstrated in this ballad. This is one of the best songs on the album and is also produced by Timbaland.

She shot the video in the Bahamas for the erotic "Rock The Boat." The song describes a romantic fantasy, so the title is self explanatory. This track takes awhile to get used to, but soon the sexy and seducing Caribbean beat will have you swaying your hips back and forth.

Songs that you could jam to include "Extra Smooth," the Latin "Read Between The Lines," and the hidden bonus track "Messed Up."

Her originality made her one in a million and her sudden death shows that age ain't nothing but a number. Aaliyah's talent and beauty will be missed by all of her fans.



Photo Courtesy of yahoo.com

Aaliyah's self-titled album was released one month before her death.

## Editor's MTV Awards Picks

By JULIE STAVITSKI  
Scene Editor

That time of the year is upon us again: the time when giddy girls and boys sit in front of their television sets with bated breath while Britney Spears strips down to nothing but a see-through catsuit and glittering g-string. All hail the 2001 MTV Video Music Awards.

Being the musical guru that I am, I am now bestowing upon you my picks for the recipients of the silver-plated moon man award.

**Best Video:** Although the peep-show remake of "Lady Marmalade" is a heavy favorite, my pick goes to Fatboy Slim's "Weapon of Choice." Any video that features Christopher Walken dancing straight-faced through an elaborately decorated hotel is far more entertaining and creative than four turned-up whores showing as much skin as they always do. This is also my pick for Best Male Video.

**Best Group Video:** I'm personally hoping for U2's "Elevation Remix." Just as long as Destiny's Child's "Survivor" doesn't win. Did anyone else notice that they stole the part where they're in the raft from the movie "Cast Away"?

**Best New Artist:** David Gray's "Babylon." This man is an absolutely phenomenal artist, and has talent that far exceeds any of the others in this category, with the exception of Alicia Keys.

**Viewers Choice:** Every single person in this group annoys the hell out of me. Backstreet Boys. \*NSYNC. Destiny's Child. Limp Bizkit. Add Brityney and I think I'll throw up on my TV.

Most of the categories are biased to the pop stars who have the massive budgets to produce really flamboyant videos to really crappy songs. I hope the voters at MTV recognize creativity tonight at 8 p.m.

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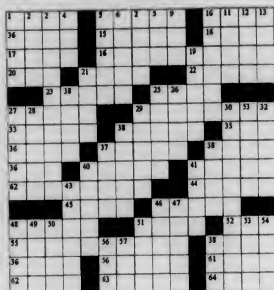
# Crossword

By Ed Canty

"Westward Ho!"

## ACROSS

- 1 Like a soothsayer  
5 Fern, e.g.  
10 Window frame  
14 Play parts  
15 Dennis Miller's specialties  
16 Sandwich's lake  
17 Gather  
18 Antelope roaming spot  
20 NY Knicks home court  
21 IL \_\_\_\_\_ : Mussolini  
22 Revise  
23 Musical piece  
25 Tempo  
27 Hidden supply  
28 Hushes  
30 Cancel mission  
34 Attacked with spray  
35 Lyric poem  
36 Hilo barbecue  
37 Military titles  
38 Before bed or city  
39 Keyboard button  
40 Decompression sickness with the  
41 Financial obligations  
42 Belts  
44 Got up  
45 Before time and office  
46 College coach Crum  
48 Concerning  
51 Withered  
52 Ugly old woman  
55 O.K. Corral weapon  
58 Destiny  
59 Away from wind  
60 Cognizant  
61 Particle  
62 Writes  
63 \_\_\_\_\_ up  
64 Cobras
- DOWN  
1 Luke follower  
2 Decorates the cake  
3 Railroad precursor  
4 Clairvoyance  
5 Dignified  
6 Knight's weapon  
7 Pot starter  
8 Highest degree  
9 Half of an African insect  
10 Mariners  
11 Thomas \_\_\_\_\_ composer  
12 Endorse  
13 Pay attention to  
19 Humid  
21 Sonny and Cher, e.g.  
24 In one side and out the other  
25 Chooses  
26 Brews  
27 Hebrew leader  
28 Mistral  
29 \_\_\_\_\_ of time  
30 Ten gallon holders  
31 Revises  
32 One of five  
34 French Impressionist  
37 Makes livelier



- 38 Gull cousin  
40 1865 assassin  
41 Hamlet, for one  
43 Musical compositions  
46 Lawnmower maker  
47 Got it wrong  
48 Quickly quickly  
49 Digestion aid  
50 Bovines  
51 Command for Rover  
53 At the peak  
54 Ruby and opal  
56 Building wood  
57 Have to repay  
58 Pilot watchers

The answer to this week's crossword will be appear in the next Bulletin.

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### September

Thursday 6	Friday 7	Saturday 8	Sunday 9	Monday 10	Tuesday 11	Wednesday 12
MWC Art Exhibition	Play Station 2 night		Finance Committee Meeting	Drive-In Movie	COAR's Agency Fair	
-Ridderhof Martin Gallery -Sept. 6 - Oct. 12	-Wash room & Back room -8pm - 1pm		-Student Act. Conference Room -7pm	-Ball Circle -8pm: Princess Bride -10 pm: Rocky Horror Picture Show	-Lee Ballroom -5pm- 7pm	
-Free	-Free			-Free	-Free Stuff	
COAR's Hope House Tutoring Program	Movie Night -7pm: Crazy/Beautiful -10pm: Shrek	Movie Night -7pm: Shrek -10pm: Crazy/Beautiful	Movie Night -2pm: Shrek -Dodd Auditorium	Historic Preservation Club meeting -Trinkle 204 -5pm		Polish Club meeting -Room #1, Campus Center -6:30pm
-Red Room -5pm	-Dodd Auditorium -\$1	-Dodd Auditorium -\$1				
Ambassadors for Christ					Dept. Of Environmental & Geology	
-Red Room, Campus center -7:30					-Alum Springs Park -4:30pm - 7pm	
Inter-Club General Assembly meeting -Monroe 104 -5pm	Performing Arts Fall performance auditions -Goodrick, studio 5 -4pm					





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## Tech Changes Cause Joy, Annoyance

### College Adds 30 TV Channels, Requires Code To Dial Long Distance

By LENA GARNER  
Staff Writer

This summer, Mary Washington College made several adjustments in campus technology forcing students to adjust. Voice Services made pricing and dialing changes, and 30 more TV channels were added.

According to Carol Martin, associate vice president for Computer and Network Services, the cable service has been upgraded by 30 channels because Cox Communications improved their service in Fredericksburg this summer. Total cable services for the year will cost about \$60,000.

"We contacted them about bringing fiber to the campus to increase the number of channels we could access here on campus," Martin said.

Junior Sarah Jackson said she likes this change.

"The new channels are really great to have," Jackson said. "I'm glad we have them now because we have more of a selection on what to watch when we have free time to do so."

In addition to the new cable channels, voice services also made changes so students have to enter an authorization code to dial long-distance.

Linda Maple, Voice Services manager, said it was felt that by making the authorization code available to all students, the code would be put to more use than it had been in the past six years.

"The seven-digit number is now required to make calls, regardless if the student is placing a long distance phone call or not," Maple said. "Prepaid phone cards can still be used, though, without any problems, and with no additional charges to the students."

Jackson was opposed to the changes.

"A lot of people I know use phone cards so it's ridiculous to have the seven-digit number to use one," Jackson said.

She also voiced concern with the way the codes were given.

"It was stupid that we all had to go to Voice Services to pick up our number, especially when no one was available to give them to us on Saturday and Sunday, when the upperclassmen were moving in," Jackson said. "We couldn't

make any phone calls unless we had gone to get our number beforehand."

Voice Services also changed the rates of the school's long distance program from last year's rates.

Previously, the long distance rate for calls to anywhere in the country was a flat fee of \$1.14 per minute all week long. This year, students can make phone calls to anywhere in the United States for \$1.14 from 7 a.m. to 6:59 p.m. In the evenings, starting at 7 p.m. to 6:59 a.m. on weeknights the cost of long distance phone calls are \$1.10 per minute. Also, starting at 7 p.m. Friday and ending at 6:59 a.m. Monday, the rate will be \$1.10 for weekend calls.

Caller ID is also available to students. For a fee of \$12 per semester or \$20 for the school year, students can purchase the service for their dorm room.

"We waited to have registration for this so if there were any issues amongst roommates, and one moved out, then we wouldn't have any problems with the Caller ID services," Maple said.

## Parking Perks Cause Controversy

By PHILLIP GRIFFITH  
News Editor

College officials' April decision to grant limited faculty parking privileges to 11 student government officers has sparked mixed reactions from students and faculty who feel that the campus already has a parking shortage.

Bernard Chirico, vice-president for Student Affairs and dean of students, gave the privilege for all faculty and staff lots after 3 p.m. in response to student government officers' requests for full-time faculty parking stickers. Despite granting limited parking, Chirico said he expects his decision to still be controversial.

"Parking across the nation on college campuses is one of the most emotionally charged issues I deal with," Chirico said. "Would people be upset by this? Sure. Do I feel comfortable with what I have decided to do? Yes, based on my discussions with the students here."

Reaction to the decision among student was generally opposed to granting even limited privileges.

Kory Jessen, a sophomore former SGA senator, is one who said he thinks the privileges are unjust.

"I understand that [student government officers] work hard, but they are still students and they should be bound by the rules of students," Jessen said. "It's not really fair to the rest of the student body for some to have special privileges unavailable to others."

Sophomore Andy Sturm said he only opposes the policy for those students who live on campus.

"For commuter students, it's fine," Sturm said. "For on-campus students, it's ridiculous. There's nowhere you can't get to on this campus in five or ten minutes of walking unless you're insanely out of shape."

Faculty reaction to the decision was much more mixed.

George Van Sant, distinguished professor emeritus of Philosophy and an expert on legislative morality, said that the parking privilege was really more of a convenience for commuting students who need to attend meetings.

"I think for people living off campus, I

don't see anything wrong," Van Sant said. "If you live on campus, you ought to be able to make it on your feet, my God. I don't see any justification for that privilege for anybody living on campus."

Jennifer Polack, assistant professor of computer science, opposes the privilege for all who received it.

"They're not faculty. Why do they get it?" Polack said. "I don't think it's fair."

Polack added that other students have meetings to attend on campus and other important things to do who do not receive this privilege.

Porter Blakemore, associate professor of History, said he does not care about the decision.

"I may if it affects me," Blakemore said. "When I get here, there's usually plenty of parking at 7:15 in the morning."

Prior to this decision, students occasionally received special parking privileges from the President's Office. According to Chirico, this policy was an attempt to eliminate confusion among students and the various campus departments. The passes were given to the presidents and vice-presidents of the SGA, Honor Council, Class Council, and Judicial Review Board, as well as to the presidents of the Commuter Student Association and the Association of Residence Halls. The Entertainment Committee chairperson also receives a pass.

Joel Nelson, senior Class Council president and a Bulletin photographer, said Class Council asked for faculty parking in order to attend various campus activities that they host.

"We asked for it because we need it," Nelson said. "The passes are to be used on days that we have events."

Nelson, who lives off-campus, added that he has never used the pass to park.

According to Chirico, granting the pass was a way to meet the student officers' needs as opposed to their desires and he feel the students will not abuse the privilege.

"I don't think there are abuses, not from the passes that I grant," Chirico said.

Rebecca Cole, Association of Residence Halls president, who lives on campus, said she would not use her pass to gain an unfair advantage in parking.

"I haven't used it for non-SGA stuff, but I wouldn't anyway," Cole said. "I don't consider that ethical."



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